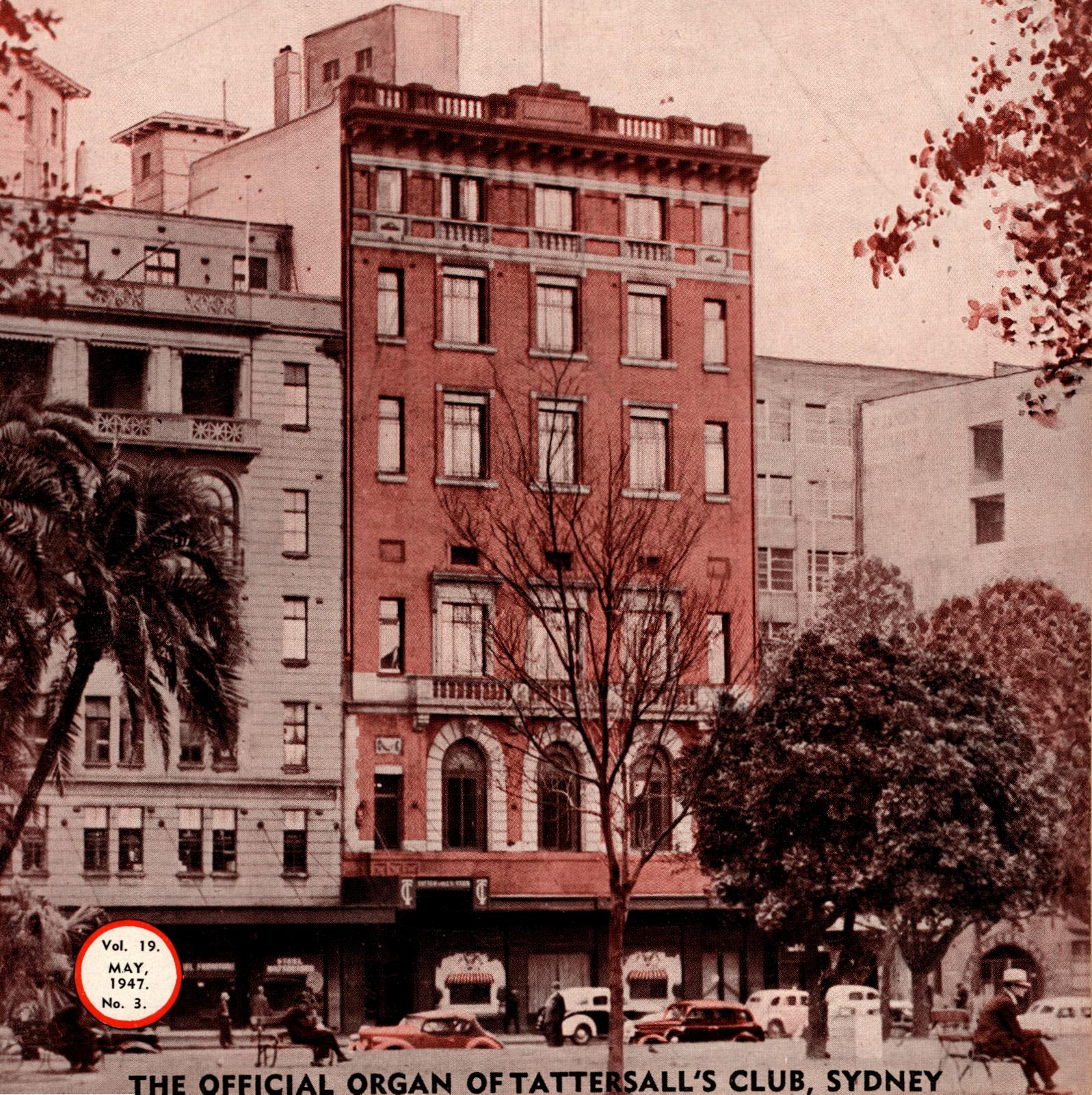


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# TATTERSALL'S CLUB

SYDNEY

## MAY RACE MEETING

(RANDWICK RACECOURSE)

# Saturday, May 17th, 1947

Entries for the following races will be received by the Secretary of Tattersall's Club only, subject to the Rules of Racing, By-Laws and Regulations of the Australian Jockey Club for the time being in force and by which the nominator agrees to be bound.

## PROGRAMME

### NOVICE HANDICAP.

A Handicap Sweepstakes of £5 each, £1 forfeit if declared to the Secretary before 12.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 14th May, 1947; with £500 added. Second horse £100, and third horse £50 from the prize. For horses which have never, at time of starting, won a flat race (Maiden Races excepted) of the value to the winner of more than £50. Provided that a winner of a race or races for two-year-olds not exceeding in the aggregate £750 in value to the winner shall be eligible to compete. Lowest handicap weight, not less than 7st.

One Mile.

### TWO-YEAR-OLD HANDICAP.

(For Two-Year-Old Colts and Geldings at time of starting)

A Handicap Sweepstakes of £6 each, £1 forfeit if declared to the Secretary before 12.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 14th May, 1947; with £600 added. Second horse £120, and third horse £60 from the prize. Lowest handicap weight, not less than 7st.

Seven Furlongs.

### JUVENILE STAKES.

(For Two-Year-Old Fillies at time of starting)

A Handicap Sweepstakes of £6 each, £1 forfeit if declared to the Secretary before 12.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 14th May, 1947; with £600 added. Second horse £120, and third horse £60 from the prize. Lowest handicap weight not less than 7st.

Six Furlongs.

### FLYING HANDICAP.

A Handicap Sweepstakes of £10 each, £1 forfeit if declared to the Secretary before 12.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 14th May, 1947; with £1,000 added. Second horse £200, and third horse £100 from the prize. Lowest handicap weight, not less than 7st.

Six Furlongs.

### THE JAMES BARNES PLATE.

A Handicap Sweepstakes of £12 each, £1 forfeit if declared to the Secretary before 12.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 14th May, 1947; with £1,200 added. Second horse, £200, and third horse £100 from the prize. Lowest handicap weight, not less than 7st. (No allowances for apprentices.)

One Mile and a Quarter.

### WELTER HANDICAP.

A Handicap Sweepstakes of £6 each, £1 forfeit if declared to the Secretary before 12.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 14th May, 1947; with £600 added. Second horse £120, and third horse £60 from the prize. Lowest handicap weight, not less than 7st. 7lb.

One Mile.

## CONDITIONS.

ENTRIES CLOSE before 3 p.m. on Monday, 28th April, 1947.

WEIGHTS to be declared at 10 a.m. on Monday, 12th May, 1947.

PENALTIES.—In all flat races a penalty on the following scale shall be carried by the winner of a handicap flat race after the declaration of weights, viz.: When the value of the prize to the winner is £50 or under, 3lb.; over £50 and not more than £100, 5lb.; over £100, 7lb.

ACCEPTANCES for all races are due before 12.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 14th May, 1947, with the Secretary of Tattersall's Club, Sydney, only.

The Committee reserves to itself the right to reject, after acceptance time, all or any of the entries of the lower weighted horses accepting in any race in excess of the number of horses which would be run in such a race without a division.

The horses on the same weight to be selected for rejection by lot.

In the case of horses engaged in more than one race on the same day, when such races are affected by the condition of elimination, a horse if an acceptor for more than one race, shall be permitted to start in one race only. The qualification to start to be determined in the order of the races on the advertised programme.

The Committee reserves the power from time to time to alter the date of running, to make any alteration or modification in this programme, alter the sequence of the races and the time for taking entries, declaration of handicaps, forfeits or acceptances, to vary the distance of any race and to change the venue of the meeting, and in the event of the Outer Course being used, races will be run at "About" the distances advertised.

The Committee also reserves to itself the right in connection with any of the above Races, should the conditions existing warrant it, to reduce the amounts of the prize money, forfeits and sweepstakes advertised, and to cancel the meeting should the necessity arise.

T. T. MANNING,  
Secretary.

157 Elizabeth Street, SYDNEY.

ENTRIES CLOSE AT 3 P.M. ON MONDAY, 28th APRIL, 1947

## FOSTERING THE GAMES

WHILE THE WAR was being fought there was necessarily a pause in the promotion of club games. Organisation was diverted to war effort, notably in practical contribution to patriotic movements and war charities. This was as it should have been, and as befitted a club of our standing in the English-speaking world.

While we still realise our obligation to the call of the good cause, while we shall lend our aid to whatsoever may be deemed worthy in external welfare, the chairman and the committee are intent on pursuing an active policy which will overtake the wartime check imposed on club amenities. Games, such as the billiards and snooker tournaments represent an important part of this policy.

The first tournament was successful beyond all expectations. Entries were numerous and representative of the best talent in the club. That is to say something, but not all. The aim is actively to enrol as players the highest possible percentage of players, irrespective of degrees of talent. These games are essentially club games for club members and designed primarily to promote the club spirit.

In this second post-war tournament, onlookers are again sharing the delight of players, and veterans are recalling the occasions of "the good old days." The club in its membership is a happy blending of the past and the present, and the personal contacts made by games serve to enhance this relationship.

In officially opening the tournament, the chairman, Mr. S. E. Chatterton, said: "The great interest which was shown in these games last year is reflected in the number of entries this year. These games, dating back to 1892, have been broken as a continuing series only by the intervention of war. The policy of the club is to foster all forms of amateur sport, including also golf, bowls and cricket, to mention several. Our suggestion is that members who desire to have promoted a tournament for any particular pastime should form a sub-committee among themselves and approach the committee of the club with a positive recommendation. We shall be happy to co-operate."

Mr. Chatterton added that the billiards and snooker tournaments would be directed by a sub-committee composed of Messrs. John Roles (chairman), A. J. Matthews, R. H. Alderson, W. Longworth and C. E. Young.

The Chairman said later that the club had agreed to participate in inter-club tournaments as a broadening of its policy of fostering games.



Established 14th May, 1858.

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# THE CLUB MAN'S DIARY

## BIRTHDAYS

MAY.

1st V. H. Moodie,	16th Dr. L. S. Low-
J. Dolden	enthal
Ernest Lashmar	22nd De Renzie Rich
3rd Roy Miller	Mr. Justice
4th L. M. Browne	Herron
D. F. Stewart	26th R. B. Barmby
5th W. M. Jennings	C. R. Tarrant
6th H. C. Bartley	J. T. Hackett
A. E. Coulthurst	28th G. Chiene
7th L. P. R. Bean	30th Mr. Justice
G. A. Crawford	Clancy
12th D. S. Davis	A. C. Shaw
14th C. E. Blayney	31st A. B. Abel
15th J. Goldberg	
C. S. Laurie	

JUNE.

1st I. Green	17th Dr. J. C. B.
Norman Barrell	Allen
S. E. Armstrong	P. P. Hassett
2nd G. B. Murtough	18th R. A. Cullen-
5th F. A. Comins	Ward
7th Hans Robertson	19th N. Schureck
8th R. M. Colechin	Neil McKenna
9th S. Baker	20th F. G. Under-
11th C. E. Young	wood
14th S. E. Thomas	C. R. Cornwell
15th J. L. Ruthven	29th A. J. Genge
16th F. E. Shepherd	C. A. Shepherd

RECENT development to let the ground floor of the club — formerly the American Center—to the Sydney Turf Club for offices, is a centralising move which will be appreciated by all racing club members.

Those of us with business to do round the clubs, will have only a half-mile radius and all one way.

Tattersall's Club, A.J.C., S.T.C., and City Tattersall's Club will be within three city blocks.

This does not yet reach the Melbourne set-up with the clubs grouped within a 200-yards radius.

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SEVERAL enthusiasts are eager to form a cricket team among members to play regular matches against teams of other sporting institutions. The idea should be adopted as competitors won't be lacking among such establishments as Royal Automobile Club, Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club, City Tattersall's Club, the Shipping companies and so forth.

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AT time of writing, Jock MacLean had obeyed the doctor's orders to rest awhile in the Masonic Hospital, Ashfield. We wish this good fellow a speedy recovery and return to the scene of his former conquests—the snooker tables.

VISITOR to the club from another State, shown over the premises, chose the club room for its restful atmosphere. "Here," he said, "is a place where a weary man might rest and see the picture of world events through the splendid collection of magazines and newspapers."

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WHEN Gayleard won the champion ribbon at the Sydney Royal Show with his grey horse in the saddle class, he did not omit to mention, when congratulated by friends on the judgment he had shown in the purchase, that the real honours should be awarded to his wife for her splendid horsemanship aboard the champion when he showed his paces in the ring.

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STORY told in the club by one to whom Vic. Patrick had recounted his experiences in the sensational seventh round against Burns: "When Tommy hit me, the lights commenced to revolve and my mind became blurred. I still knew in a hazy way that somebody was in front of me and that I had to be on guard. Then, suddenly, my head cleared, revealing an opening. I let fly, caught Burns on the cheekbone and he went to his corner feeling worse than I felt."

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TRANSFER of a horse, or horses, from one stable to another has occasioned exceptional surprise in recent times, according to reports in the daily newspapers. These transfers, sudden or otherwise, have been part of the racing game down the years. Not that these changes should occur is so remarkable as that there should be so few in so extensive an industry. This speaks well for the relationship of owners and trainers.

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## DEATHS.

A. C. Hall—Overseas Member, Samarai, elected 15/4/1935, died 19/4/47.

David Black—City Member, elected 21/2/1921, died 30/4/47.

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PASSING of David Black removed a familiar and, as his closest friends will agree, a heroic figure. Although he had been without his sight for many years, although a world, and a world of men who he loved so well had passed into the shadows, he never lost interest in its people and events. His cheerfulness was extraordinary. In his youth, Mr. Black was a prominent footballer; Australian Rules.

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ROBINSON CRUSOE'S Island," once a symbol of adventure is catching up with the times, The Chilean government has selected it as the site for an air base in the Pacific Ocean, 415 miles west of the South American mainland.

The island's correct name is Mas a Tierra, one of the Juan Fernandez group, and is often called Juan Fernandez Island. It is a craggy volcanic mass rising out of the Pacific to a peak 3,000 feet high, says the National Geographic Society.

It became known as "Robinson Crusoe's Island" because it was there that Alexander Selkirk, a Scotch seaman, spent the four years and four months that inspired Daniel Defoe's popular classic—a tale translated into almost every written language.

# THE MAN OF THE MONTH

## MR. DAN CARROLL

In a club such as ours the membership represents every phase of business life, the arts and sciences. Let us, then, get a close-up of Dan Carroll who, though not known personally by all is most certainly known to all.

It has been said that were a quiz question asked "who is Dan Carroll?" at least two million Australians could supply the correct answer.

The number could probably be doubled but the conservative figure is sufficient to prove our esteemed member has "got places" and ranks high among our community leaders.

For many years Sydney theatre-goers have known him as the directing figure of Prince Edward Theatre but that is only one of a series of multifarious activities.

Let us trace back the business life of our subject; it is the only way by which his remarkable capacity can be correctly assessed.

Dan had been quite a busy man for many years before he joined our club in 1919.

### Date is Historical.

Ten years before that time, 1909 to be exact (and the date is important because it has historical value) Dan and his brother, the late "E.J." purchased the Queensland rights of a movie "The Kelly Gang" which was a 5-reel production by J. and N. Tait in Melbourne.

Australian interests in movie productions, at that time, were in swaddling clothes.

The brothers had beginners' luck and box office returns indicated to them that the industry had enormous possibilities in this country.

In much of what follows the brothers were closely associated but in each and every case Dan has had a controlling finger and, from now on, the story will be in the singular even in those spots where the plural would be correct terminology.

● Release of the first silent picture production throughout Australia "The Sentimental Bloke" with

Arthur Tauchert and Lottie Lyall starring. The film was later taken to England to swell the Carroll bank roll by £25,000—that was in 1919.

● Association in production of "The Shadow of Lightning Ridge" with Reg L. (Snowy) Baker the star.



Mr. Dan Carroll.

This was directed by American Wilfred Lucas and was later successfully exhibited in U.S.A.

● Importation of famous Sistine Choir which established gross receipts in Sydney which have never been equalled. First week's takings reached £10,000 and the second £12,000. That was 1922.

● Managership of the Fritz Kreisler, world famous violinist, tour who established a gross takings record possibly never exceeded by an individual.

● Other starring artists handled included:— Ignatz Friedman, Polish pianist; Erice Morini, violinist; Brailowsky, pianist; Florence Austral and John Amadio.

● The last tour of Sir Harry Lauder in Australia and, later, through India and South Africa.

● Stage productions included, among others, "Bunty Pulls the Strings", "The Family Upstairs", "The Ghost Train", "The Wreckers" and two Pauline Frederick plays.

Apart from the Sydney Prince Edward, Dan Carroll also infuses his personality into the Winter Garden (Brisbane) activities and a host of places of entertainment throughout Australia.

In the entertainment field our member is conceded to be without a peer in product valuation.

Long may he reign to join with us regularly in our club amenities.

### On Being Suspect.

THE idea of the ulterior motive is becoming irritatingly prevalent. There's an opinion that everyone is using all his wit to make a trade or deal of some kind, according to a writer in "Scribner's Magazine".

Because of this commercialised view of life, all of us have become suspicious characters. When we receive a kindly invitation, we wonder what social game is afoot. And the moment we meet a new acquaintance this process of appraisal begins. In very short order we try to have every one ticketed, docketed; we are forearming ourselves because we are suspicious.

If, on a cool autumn day, a wife kisses her husband with gratifying zeal, we begin to wonder if her last year's set of furs is not just a little too shabby to go through another winter, and if a husband phones in a most serious tone that he is detained at the office, his wife's mind instantly sniffs the approach, at midnight, of a clove-alloyed breath.

The fact is we are terribly suspicious of our loved ones, of our neighbours, and perhaps of ourselves. I wish it were easier to be unsuspected. This suspicion of the ulterior motive is robbing us of many of the simple enjoyments of life.

# SOUTH AFRICAN VISITORS MAKE GOOD

**The Australian Soccer Football Association appears to have struck a gold mine in its sponsoring of the South African tour now in full blast in this country. The tour was estimated to carry a liability of £15,000 in all, and as the Springboks have as yet only played six games for a gross total of £10,350 (at May 12), the Association looks certain to possess a healthy balance sheet when the last game is played.**

All the Springboks are amateurs but for many years have been coached by English and Scottish professionals.

This is shown in their football which is typically English.



*This is one goal the South Africans did not get in the Test Match against Australia played at S.C.G. on May 10. Norman Conquest (Australian goalie) beat the visiting centre-forward to the ball and cleared.*

The two games they have played at the Cricket Ground have been thrillers, but although the home team was beaten on each occasion by only the odd goal, they have not lost prestige as a result.

Barbour, he would be a sensation in England.

Of the 18 players in the South African team, 16 are ex-servicemen. The other two, O'Linn (19), and Forbes (20), being too young to join the forces.

## Australian Form Amazed.

The Springboks are amazed at the Australian standard of play. They consider Reg. Date the best centre forward they have seen and according to their manager, Mr.

## Decorations Too.

There are two decorated men in the side, the captain, H. Smethurst (Military Cross) and R. Nicolson (Military Medal).

Every one of the players excel in other sports.

L. Anley, S. O'Linn and J. Pickering are cricket stars.

Clad, Yerriman, Smethurst shine at water polo, while all the others are stars in other sports such as hockey, golf, etc.

They have become tremendously popular and are worthy ambassadors of our Sister Dominion.

Incidentally, although Australia has lost the first test, they are a good tip to win the ashes.

## Ideas for Future.

Australian controllers of the round-ball game hope that the bank balance, at the end of this tour, will provide the means to send a team to South Africa next season and then on to England.

The sport has had a great uplift from the South African visit and it is pleasing to record that after an unsatisfactory start in the way of accommodation and amenities our visitors are now enjoying the very best we can give.

AN experiment in speech development is said to have been carried out on the island of Inchkeith, in the Firth of Forth, in 1493.

James IV of Scotland caused a dumb woman to be put on the island together with two "young bairnes," duly provided with all the necessities of life, in order to "Knew quhat langage thir bairnes wald speik quhen they come to lauchfull aige."

The report, which came through later was staggering. The children spoke Hebrew.

A sad blow to the theory that Gaelic was the language spoken in the Garden of Eden.—"Glasgow Herald."

# HORSE OF THE MONTH

## VICTORY LAD KEEPS ON WINNING.

**Victory Lad, one of the toughest horses of the present time, and one of the most successful, is back in Brisbane in pursuit of more triumphs. Few racegoers realise that in the 1943 Breeders' Plate he defeated Australia's no. 1 racehorse, Shannon, and among those farther back was the recently retired but very successful Cragsman.**

**B**ETWEEN them this trio, Shannon, Victory Lad and Cragsman, have won for their respective owners many times a mere fortune.

But this story set out to tell about Victory Lad.

He is still another high-grade racehorse representing a woman

career and from five furlongs to a mile and a quarter.

### Defeat of Shannon

Although his defeat of Shannon at even weights in the Breeders' Plate was a noteworthy effort, probably they could not be matched



*Victory Lad.*

owner, Mrs. C. Ives, who inherited her family interest in racing.

Mr. Cyril Ives, who manages the racing affairs for Mrs. Ives, is a club member who has had a pleasant job managing this racehorse.

For Victory Lad has gone from success to success and from state to state. There have been gaps in his winning record—he won only his first race as a two-year-old, the Breeders' Plate—but he rose to great heights on occasions.

He has won at Randwick, Rosehill and Canterbury in Sydney, at Ascot in Brisbane and at Flemington in Melbourne.

He has won 10 races during his

at the present time at reasonable weights. Victory Lad, however, from being a simple sprinter became a middle-distance performer when he took the Final Handicap over a mile and a quarter at Flemington last year.

His biggest step upwards was at the recent A.J.C. Autumn Meeting when he downed Good Idea and St. Fairy in the All Age Stakes, the mile weight-for-age race. Probably there have been stronger fields but few winners of the race have been more impressive.

Victory Lad's steady improvement is a cause for the supporters of the racing of early two-year-olds. Victory Lad did not carry on as a two-

year-old after his Breeders' Plate win but he was able to run 14 times as a three-year-old for two wins and his remaining seasons have been on a corresponding scale.

Queensland jockey, W. Briscoe, seemed to solve the problem of the riding of Victory Lad when the horse was in Brisbane last winter and from that point he has shown his best form.

Trainer Dan Lewis, apart from a brief period due to illness, has had complete control of Victory Lad and he describes him as an ideal horse to train.

Much of the retention of strength if not definite improvement, according to Lewis, is due to Victory Lad being a big eater.

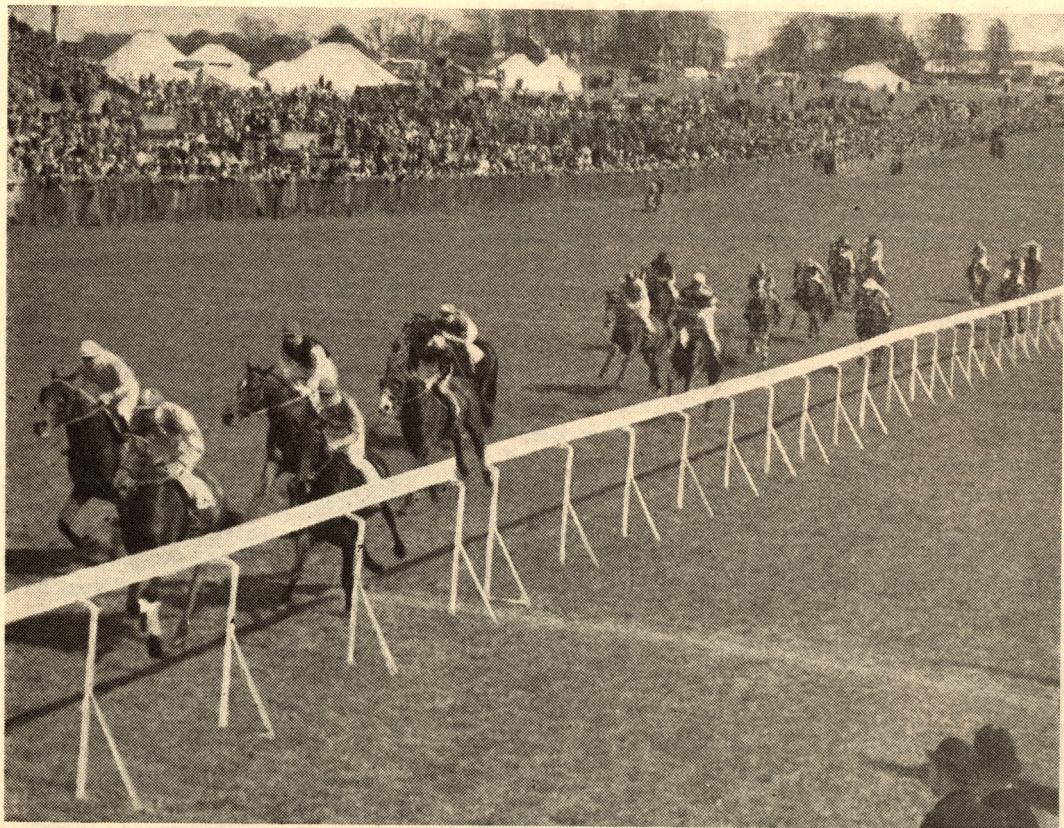
He is not a glutton but he eats plenty and enjoys it. Even hard races do not blunt his appetite.

Tough, hardy and honest, Victory Lad has not yet finished his winning way.

**S**ELDOM have movie stars refused to perpetrate publicity gags, however inane. Hollywood therefore cherishes the memory of the arrival of Olsen and Johnson to film *Hellzapoppin*. A press agent had an idea that can hardly be described as highly original: the two slapstick comedians, on arrival, were to throw lemon pies at each other while news-reel cameras recorded the scene for posterity. But when Olsen and Johnson got their cue to start pitching, they turned and with the aim of experts hurled the pies into the press agent's face.

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**I**N our last issue a photograph was reproduced of Mrs. Nancye Bolton of Victoria who was then on her way to England to compete in tennis classics. Since then she has won the British Hardcourt singles title and, with Mrs. Harry Hopman, the Women's Doubles championship. Critics have been quick to place her in world class. Wimbledon, on grass courts, will be the testing ground. Incidentally, Mrs. Bolton's photo was reproduced alongside those of John Treloar (sprinter) and John Marshall (swimmer) and labelled "Australia's Hopes Oversea." Don't be surprised if we successfully tipped the treble.



English and  
Australian  
Turf  
Comparisons

A typical scene at an English Racecourse on the day of a classic. Picture shows a meeting at Epsom. "Star Song" is shown winning the Great Metropolitan Handicap on April 22 last, Parbelion is second and Salubrious third. Note the rural aspect predominating and then turn to next page for the Sydney idea.

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## THE TIP IS AN EVIL THING

PROFESSOR WALTER MURDOCH, Chancellor of the University of Western Australia, writes on the tipping habit in "The Sydney Morning Herald":

Everyone who has travelled knows what a nuisance it is. Mussolini seemed to have done at least one good thing for Italy; he forbade tipping in hotels and trains. When you took a room in an hotel you knew exactly what you would have to pay, including a "service tax," which was to do away with the old tipping business; you were warned not to tip.

But, alas, even a dictator was unable to prevent the waiter from showing an extra amiability on the day you were leaving; and the chambermaid, and the lift-boy, and the boots, hovered about you with a look of wistful expectancy which you could not resist. It was this extra obsequiousness on the last day of your stay, this smiling servility which turned into surliness if your tip was disappointing, that

made one realise how degrading the habit is to the recipient.

The tip is an evil thing, because it is beneath the dignity of a human being to hang about like a dog, hoping for a bone to be thrown to him. I presume this is the kind of tipping you mean; the small-scale tipping. I call it an evil thing because it tends to rob men of self-respect. It is therefore a thoroughly undemocratic institution.

But it may be that the tipping you dislike is the grander, more august and princely form of it; say the tip of £1,000 you have to give somebody if you want to secure a contract. This, however, is not called tipping; it is not called anything; it is not mentioned in public; the old blunt name of it was bribery and corruption, but it was just tipping on the grand scale.

To get what you wanted from the venerable Francis Bacon, Lord Verulam, when he was Lord Chancellor of England, you had to be prepared to give him, under the rose, a handsome tip.

"All these men," said Walpole, pointing to the opposition, "have

their price"; and he said to the King, in confidence, "I know the price of every one of them." (He was fortunate in not suffering from the uncertainty which, as I have said, afflicts the tourist.)

To answer your question: I, too, dislike tipping, on the grand scale and the petty scale; and I don't think I am mean. I dislike it because it degrades the taker of tips and demoralises the country in which it is prevalent.

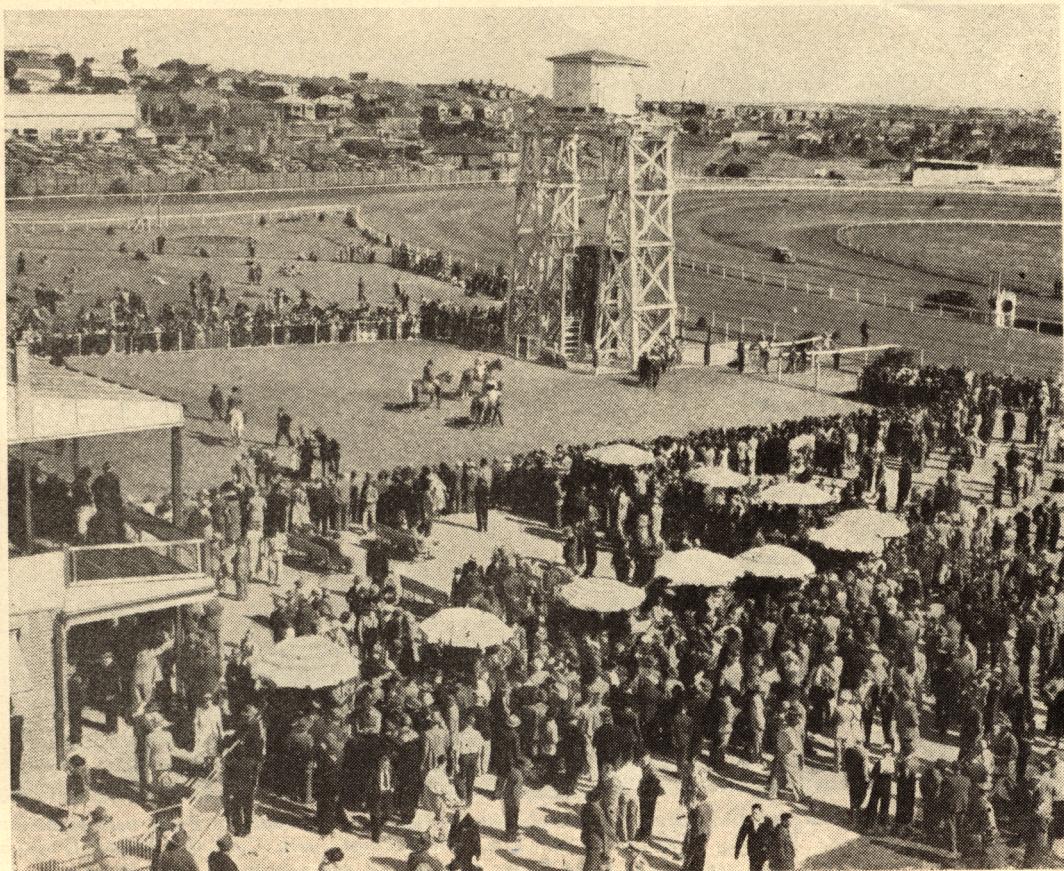
### Olympic Hopes.

TRELOAR seems to be Australia's greatest Olympic hope—if he isn't run into the ground meantime. In a re-run of the 100 yds. championship at S.C.G. this month, he clocked 9 3/5 seconds for the sixth time this season.

Plans are being made, and funds sought, to send away a big contingent so that Australia might make what is called "a brave showing." Several representatives of the Treloar class would achieve more notice for Australia than a team of no-hoppers.

### Rural Aspect Missing Here

Canterbury Park (Sydney) racecourse shows a real suburbia skyline. Note the new camera-finish structure. The whole setting is in contradistinction to the English Epsom set-up.



## THE SHE-MEN OF SPORT

**I**F IT'S NECESSARY to weigh about 14 stone and have a face as glamorous as a block of granite to be a world sporting champion, Australian women won't be in it (writes Marie Clemenger in "Sporting Life").

Every summer the same swimming query arises: Why haven't our girls taken out more than Fanny Durack's 1912 world title, Clare Dennis' 1932 breaststroke championship? According to coaches, Australian women seem reluctant to concentrate on swimming and training to the exclusion of all else.

They must have a reason—they realise that miles of swimming when they're young develops the shoulders too much, that the hours of kicking bequeaths huge thighs, and that long stretches in the salt water and sun toughen the skin. They come from a sport-conscious nation, yet seem to consider an Olympic championship not worth the loss of femininity.

In any case would an Olympic title be worth it if it were said of you: "At the age of 14 she was as big as one of our biggest wharf-labourers." That was how an Australian swimming authority de-

scribed Reik Mastenbroek, of Holland, holder of the world 110 and 440 women's backstroke records.

Our girls are fine swimmers, but there's not a Mastenbroek among them, nor have we a Ragnhild Hveger. Hveger, of Denmark, held every world's freestyle record from the 100 yards to one mile, with the exception of the 110 and 550. But heavy broad-shouldered Ragnhild with her manly close-clipped hair style isn't exactly the personification of femininity.

Perhaps our girls are really shrewd for, after all, what is compensation for wrinkles and toughened skin and the thick, unwoman-

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## WATERWAY TO OUR MAIN RIVERS



*This scene shows some of the upper reaches of Sydney Harbour. McMahon's Point near right foreground, Goat Island in centre. To left are Balmain, Birchgrove and Long Nose Point, with Cockatoo Island Dock just behind. Parramatta and Lane Cove Rivers stretch west and northward respectively.*

# SYDNEY HARBOUR — LOOKING EAST



Beautiful Sydney Harbour is shown here in another unusual shot. It is self explanatory. Looking to left shows the Governor-General's residence at Kirribilli Point, with Fort Denison in mid-stream. Garden Island, just to the right, with Clark Island in the distance, and Shark Island just to the right of Bradley's Head. Watson's Bay and Vaucluse are shown in background.

like shoulders of a world swimming champion. I've thought about it from all angles, and I've been massaging the crowsfeet around my eyes since I read American Jack Miley's description of the sports-woman.

#### Always Feels Sorry.

"I always feel sorry for those poor misguided dears and just a bit revolted by their antics. They sweat and strain and lose all their feminine charm. The wind and the sun and the rain make their faces harsh and weather-beaten. They squint and get little networks of wrinkles around their eyes, noses and mouths. They lose their soft alluring curves and their muscles stick out in the

#### The Camels are Coming!

FOR the benefit of any of my readers who may be contemplating this method of locomotion, I append a description of the main actions of mounting as carried out in a Camel Company:

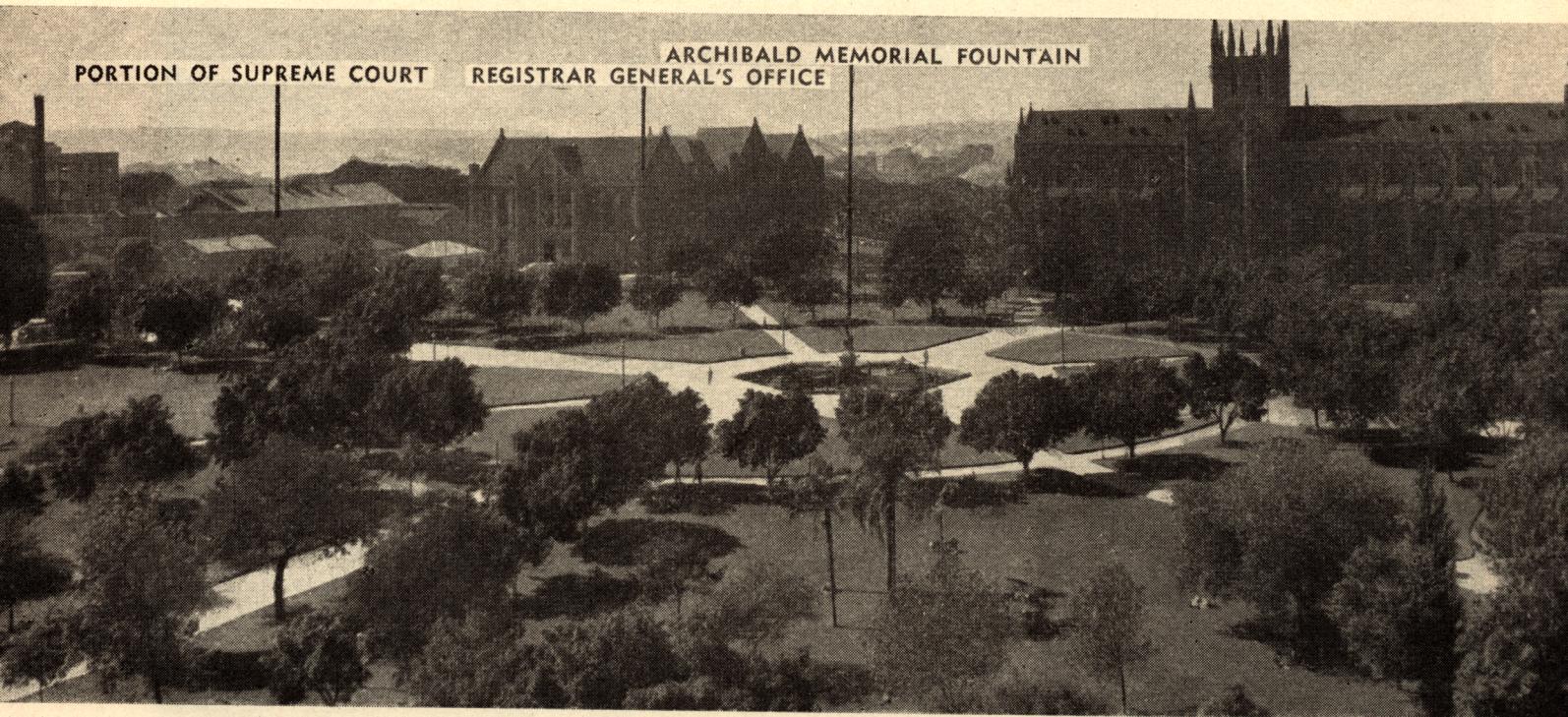
On the order "Prepare to mount," the soldier makes an "about turn" and "barsaks" his camel—that is to say, he pulls on the head-rope until the camel kneels down. The soldier then grasps the ani-

wrong places. They get sinewy necks, arms and legs like turkey gobblers and sometimes even their voices change from syrupy sopranos to robustious baritones or booming bases. Some of them even have to start shaving."

mal's nostrils firmly with his left hand and draws the head of the camel round to the left rear, placing his left foot on the lower region of the neck and his right hand on the rear pommel of the saddle.

On the command "Mount," the soldier throws his right leg over the saddle between his right hand resting on the rear pommel and the front pommel. At the same time his left leg is moved into position on the left side of the lower region of the camel's neck. The camel's nostrils are still being grasped by the soldier's left hand. In order to complete the movement the soldier has only to release the head, when the camel will rise to its feet, the time being taken from the right-hand man.—Northerner II in "Yorkshire Post."

# TATTERSALL'S FRONT GARDEN PHOTO



The double-page landscape reproduced above came about in peculiar manner. A few weeks back Mr. N. (Nick) Webster, well known Sydney artist, confided to your editor that he had fiddled about for a long time with a new idea for a camera lens.

His aim, he said, was to get height, depth and width with perfect infinity.

"I would like to take a picture of Tattersall's front garden from the Club's roof top," he said, "just to show you what I mean."

Within a matter of hours he was on the job and, for the benefit of members who delve into picture taking in an amateur way the following will surprise.

The focussing required only a matter of 10 seconds.

The sky and closer proportions of Hyde Park (much closer than is shown above) were remarkable. Thus had the invention proved successful in recording both height and depth.

Unfortunately reproduction of the entire picture is mechanically impossible in the space available.

It has been reduced to the irreducible minimum

by which a clear outline of distant objects can be clearly discerned.

A full-sized photo is being produced and will, in due course, be presented to our chairman.

Although several of the main buildings have been lettered, members will be able to fossick out countless other spots with which they are closely associated.

Our "Front Garden", so aptly put by the artist-photographer, has a remarkable history.

In this country's early days it was the centre of almost every sporting activity.

There are on record descriptions of various kinds of entertainment from cock-fighting to cricket.

It has vastly changed in recent years.

Building of the underground railway station, now known as St. James, caused the entire centre line to be excavated to a depth of 100 feet.

In the re-building plan the Archibald Memorial fountain came into being.

Just behind the big row of central trees the British Centre was erected during the 1939-45 world war and, across the road from that, obscured from view but between St. Mary's Cathedral and the Museum, is City Bowling Green, dubbed by

# GRAPHED FROM THE CLUB'S ROOF TOP



N.S.W.B.A. as the "Front Door to Bowls in New South Wales."

Hyde Park was given its name by Governor Macquarie in 1810. It was, however, commonly called the Racecourse for many years, for the officers of the 73rd Regiment established a racecourse there with a grandstand and winning post near the top of Market Street.

The course began in Elizabeth Street, near Market Street, ran along toward St. James, turned toward St. Mary's, then along College Street, and swung around to end near where it began. The last meeting was held in the Park in 1821; after that racing moved to the racecourse out at Botany Bay. The Park became a common, and the first military review was held there in 1822. The first place of execution was near Park Street, but in 1804 the gallows was moved to the corner of Park and Castlereagh Streets, where the Barley Mow Hotel now stands.

After the races left Hyde Park, it was given over to cricket. Before 1830 it had not been enclosed, but at that time a two-rail fence was built. In 1835, Macquarie Street ran through Park to Liverpool Street, this being closed in the 'fifties. Up to 1837 Busby's Bore supplied water to the

public, and there is record of an amount paid to a carrier for bringing water to Sydney College.

In the early 'forties the area was planted with rows of fig trees and improved generally by levelling, paths, planting, draining and enclosing with a palisade fence. Finally, in 1876, Hyde Park was surrounded with a low wall and railings.

In a research of old Sydney many odd angles have been brought to light.

According to the late J. C. Davis, when Editor of "Referee" Newspaper, our present Club stands on approximately the site of the original Hyde Park racecourse grandstand. If members just view the general lay-out they will be satisfied the statement must be right. The bend to the right just past St. James Station was the turn out of the straight. It follows round symmetrically past Queen Victoria's Statue to St. Mary's Cathedral where the back straight was entered. Racing horses proceeded along what is now known as College St. to a point about 50 yards short of the present War Memorial and straightened up for home in the vicinity of the T. and G. Buildings. The whole area is enriched with memories and early Australian history of most interesting and important character.

# Roundabout of Sport

## Origin of Soccer

Presence of Association (Soccer) players from South Africa in our midst prompts the question as to how and when this form of football came into being. Away back in 1314 there were proclamations issued in England against the noise made by foote-balle but, so far as this code is concerned, we get a definite line on it from data of 1665.

In that year M. Mission published in Paris his memoirs and observations of a tour of England. He wrote—

"In winter football is a useful and charming exercise.

"It is a leather balloon, as big as the head and filled with air; this is kicked with the foot in the streets



by him who is able to reach it. There is no other science in the game."

What M. Mission evidently failed to observe was that there is real art in dribbling a football and the street scenes he observed were, probably, merely some practice stunts by players to keep themselves fit.

In 1665 Pepys wrote: "On January 2, there being a great frost, the streets were full of footballs."

Records show that schoolboys played football in the restricted areas of their playgrounds and, no doubt, that brought about "each for his own" ball as suggested by M. Mission.

But what was happening was that dribbling became an art and, gradually, soccer football with proper rules came into vogue.

## About Ground Sizes.

Since our South African visitors arrived here they have laid official complaint that Australian playing areas are too small.

A compromise was made and the S.C.G. lay-out extended from 110 x 75 yds. to 120 x 80.

It is only fair to state that our controllers were not transgressing world rules in any way.

Official measurements call for playing areas of 100-130 yds. in length by 50-100 yds. wide.

Maybe the wider surface produces a better game, as the South Africans claim. If so it would be far better that whenever possible our playing conditions be made to conform.

The whole technique, we are told, is altered but, after all, it is only a game and spectators are entitled to the best.

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**R**EFRESHING indeed to read Walter Hammond's ideas on the recent Test tour in Australia. He has made it abundantly clear that much of the alleged unsavoury items published by travelling journalists was sheer imagination. He is emphatic that the last team was feted in greater manner than any previous combination and that the friendliest relationships prevailed.

Sir Pelham (Plum) Warner probably hit the nail right on the head in his published views that most of the drivel was the result of writers endeavouring to manufacture "a story."

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**P**ROFESSIONAL tennis ranks are still growing. American tennis stars, Miss Pauline Betz and Mrs. Sarah P. Cooke, have made it clear that their future activities will be confined to cash ranks.



**B**Y the time this issue reaches readers champion Australian Test batsman, Sid Barnes, will have landed in England and joined with his pal, Norman von Nida. Before leaving these shores Sid confided the pair would, if possible, have a match or two against suitable opponents—probably an English Test cricketer and one or other of the pros. It will not surprise if Barnes remains in England for an indefinite period and his being available for the next English tour is anything but certain. Fortunately W. (Billy) Brown of Queensland will be ready to take his rightful place as opener with Arthur Morris.

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**C**ABLED information: **B**oxer Robert Charron, contender for the French middleweight title, complained he was fouled for hitting Teddy Price (Ireland) low in their recent contest because Price wore pants reaching up almost to his arm pits. That reminds of the time Bobby Graham, now Mine Host of the Balfour Hotel, Sydney, was engaged in a contest against Jackie Green for the Australian lightweight title. Bob roars with laughter when he tells of the bout. "Only time I touched Jackie," he says, "was when we were shaking hands before the starting bell." He goes further and declares the only place Green did not hit him was on the soles of the feet! It is only fair to state that Green recently gave a very different version.

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**A**RTUR CLUES, Johnny Hunter and Lionel Cooper, who have accepted engagements with English Rugby League Clubs, have sent a joint letter to Sydney friends expressing complete satisfaction with their present arrangements. Wests Suburbs Club sends Clues a food parcel every week and it is known that Eastern Suburbs players are attending to Hunter and Cooper in similar manner.

# FOOTBALL EXECUTIVES

## Write For Tattersall's

Winter, officially, is now upon us, and King Football is in full swing. The visit of the South African Soccer team has given added impetus to the round ball game, but what of the others—Rugby Union and League codes—which attract over 100,000 of our metropolitan population each week-end. Let the respective secretaries have their say.

### N.S.W. RUGBY UNION.

By Alex Marks.

This 1947 season probably reaches the all-time high in our code.

We have an international team (New Zealand) visiting us and we will also be sending one away, to England, before the final curtain is drawn.

Apart from that our N.S.W. players will have toured Queensland and Victoria as well as having received visits from both those States for games in Sydney.

Country versus City matches have also been scheduled on a greater scale than heretofore.

#### A Vast Programme.

That programme is vast enough to keep star players flat out all the time but the main portion has not yet been touched on.

The New Zealand v. N.S.W. contests, plus the N.Z. v. an Australian XV and the Test matches place other fixtures in secondary consideration.

Our players will figure in seven first-class matches in Sydney alone, Brisbane has five, Newcastle two and Canberra, Toowoomba and Armidale one each.

Actually the current season is only a pipe-opener to an ambitious programme through the years to follow.

In 1948 we hope to be entertaining a French Test side and, in 1949, an all-Irish combination.

Viewed from any angle my code is progressing apace.

### N.S.W. RUGBY LEAGUE.

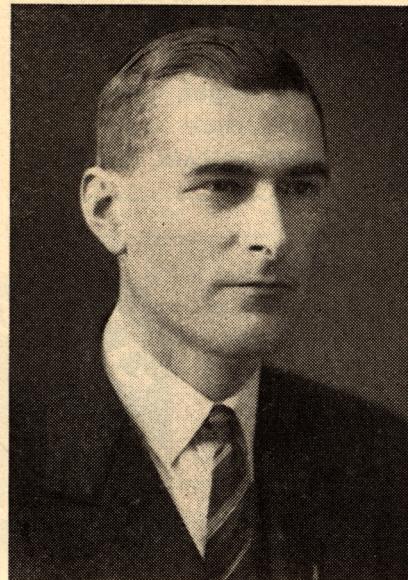
By Keith Sharp.

Much speculation has been voiced surrounding the prospects of the Rugby League code during 1947 Season.

Following as it does the boom

period experienced during the war years also the spectacular representative season which marked 1946, authorities are looking forward to this season with deep interest because, for them, it means a return to normal conditions and normal administration.

Some people seem obsessed with the idea that the League code must go on establishing new records each



Keith Sharp.

and every year. This point of view, of course, is quite out of touch with reality.

Playing standards declined appreciably during the war due to the absence of the cream of the nation's young manhood in the fighting services.

This reacted unfavourably on the standard of play and although huge crowds attended the fixtures it was not an appreciation of the class of football but acceptance of the opportunity to indulge in one of the few recreations possible to obtain.

The playing standard is well on



the up grade in 1947 due to two major factors.

Firstly, the visit of the Englishmen during the 1946 season indicated to officials, players and supporters that to achieve success on the playing field, it was necessary to give full recognition to the fundamentals. It drove home forcibly that showy and spectacular footballers can be coped with and defeated by teams who give due consideration to the orthodox principles upon which the code is built.

#### Contributing Factors.

The second factor contributing to the higher standard of play evident now is apparent when one watches the operation of the new play-the-ball rule. The incidence of this new rule means that the game has been speeded up considerably.

The result of the two factors mentioned indicate that the League, whilst receding slightly from its war time popularity in point of attendances, will gain strongly in public favour due to the more attractive football its exponents are presenting.

An added zest is given to the code this year by the probable departure of the "Kangaroo" side to visit England in 1948. Players are aware that they must firmly establish themselves as representative players in 1947 to have a good chance to tour England.

Next season will produce its own crop of new stars, but the man who establishes himself in now has a big advantage over the newcomer.

To summarise, it looks as if Rugby League Football is going to retain its pre-eminence in this State by giving the public the fast and colourful football they are anxious to see.

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MANY men have decided views on marriage. Decided by their wives.

## Old-Time Boxers were Tough Fought 105 Rounds

REPEATEDLY two men of almost equal merit flourish at the same time, but seldom does it occur that victory is not secured by one over the other. Just the same, there were two boxers in the early part of the century whom four different referees failed to separate in as many contests, which, in the aggregate, extended over 85 rounds.

The boxers were Bob Turner and Ed. Jessop. Meeting first at Newcastle in 1901, with Harry Ford as referee, they boxed a 20-rounds draw. Then, in 1902, they met in the Gaiety ring with Harry Dawson as referee. Again they drew after the full 20 rounds. The third time was also at the Gaiety, on June 16, 1902. I went on that date as that was the last 25 rounds contest ever fought in Sydney, and Wally Weekes was third man in the ring on that

occasion, but he could not give one man the advantage over the other.

Three years were to go by before Turner and Jessop clashed again. That was in 1905, also at the Gaiety, with "Snowy" Sturgeon as arbiter. Once more the decision was a draw, but a little over a month later the issue was at last decided, and Turner won the verdict on points. But it took him 105 rounds to prove himself the better man.

They did not meet again.

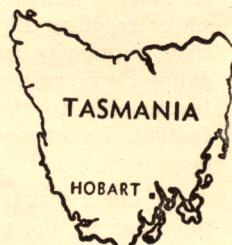
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## The Duke's Selection

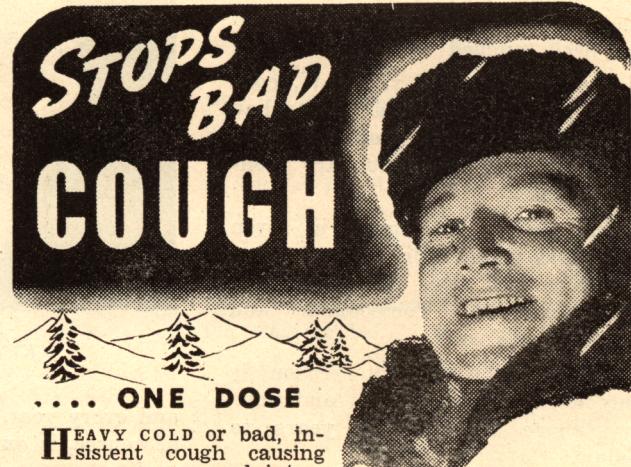
In a survey of the history of Surf-Bathing, Sydney "Daily Telegraph" wrote:

In physique, Australia's 6,549 surf lifesavers, are the pick of the nation. The Duke of Gloucester dubbed Bronte's Bill Pugh "the perfect man," and added: "I think he is the finest specimen of healthy manhood I have ever seen." Pugh's measurements were:

Height 5 ft. 10 $\frac{1}{2}$  ins., Weight 14 st., Chest, normal 42 ins., expanded 45 $\frac{1}{2}$  ins., Neck 16 $\frac{1}{2}$  ins., Biceps 15 $\frac{1}{2}$  ins., Forearm 14 $\frac{1}{2}$  ins., Wrist 8 ins., Waist 38 ins., Hips 37 ins., Upper leg 23 ins., Calf 15 $\frac{1}{4}$  ins., Ankle 7 $\frac{3}{4}$  ins.

Eleven years captain of the Bronte Club, Pugh was also a first-grade club footballer, rower, wrestler and boxer. In that he was typical—the volunteer lifesaver is often an all-rounder at sport.

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# A Question to be Answered

## Business Cycles

Will a depression follow the recent war? This question is being asked and debated in Australia almost as much as in America, where a depression complex seems to have developed. Now a book has been published, titled "Measuring Business Cycles," by Arthur F. Burns and Dr. Wesley C. Mitchell (National Bureau of Economic Research, America). "Science Digest" has condensed the following review from "The New Republic."

**A** BUSINESS cycle, according to Dr. Mitchell's definition, is a fluctuation of the aggregate economic activity of a nation; it consists of expansions occurring at about the same time in many lines, followed by contractions.

The contractions in turn are followed by revivals which merge into the expansion of the next cycle. Thus we are always bouncing up and down on the waves. Though there are periods of relative quiet, there never has been a flat calm in the recorded history of any business-enterprise economy.

A business cycle is defined as the shortest of these up-and-down movements; there may be larger waves or tides, but there is no definite sequence of fluctuations shorter than the business cycle.

The cycle is described as "recurrent but not periodic." This means that although it is continually repeated, you cannot derive from its history any mathematical formula by which you might predict when the next boom or depression will arrive or how severe it will be.

### Karl Marx and Others.

Karl Marx predicted that the commercial crises which always accompany capitalism would become worse as time goes on.

Many, after the disastrous experience of the thirties, agree with him. But Burns and Mitchell, looking back over the experience of a hundred years, can find no such trend.

It is true that the slump beginning in 1929 was unusually severe and unusually long, but there were bad ones in earlier parts of the period studied—in the seventies and nineties, for example. And there have been some relatively short or mild ones in recent years.

There is further no support for

the theory, widely held in the 1920's and being revived today, that depressions will get milder as time goes on. Burns and Mitchell find no factual support for any long-term trend, either for the worse or for the better.

### Economists Argued.

Various economists have argued that there are longer cycles of which the short business cycles are like ripples on a tidal wave. Some think there is a 10 or 15-year cycle; Kondratieff finds long waves of fifty or sixty years. The authors of this book had to investigate such theories in order to find out whether long trends had any effect on the short cycle.

They found no conclusive proof that such longer cycles exist, though there are irregular upward or downward movements lasting longer than three or five years. But whether longer cycles exist or not, they do not affect the nature of the shorter ones in any noticeable way.

The authors find some basis for one hypothesis regarding a longer "cycle of cycles":

After a severe depression industrial activity rebounds sharply, but speculation does not. The next contraction in business is milder, however, which leads people to be less cautious. Consequently, in the next two or three cycles, while the cyclical advances become progressively smaller in industrial activity, they become progressively larger in speculative activity. Finally, the speculative boom collapses and a drastic liquidation follows, which ends this cycle of cycles and brings us back to our starting point.

But this hypothesis is advanced only for further study; no simple pattern applies invariably.

The study does substantiate the

belief that when the long-term trend of prices is downward, the contraction phase of the cycle is longer, and vice versa.

## Australian Sport

UNDER the title, "Nonsense About Diet," H. M. Abrahams, who won the 100 metre championship at the Olympic Games, exploded many old ideas in the course of an article to the English Press. His belief is that, generally speaking, people bother far too much about what they eat and drink, and will torture themselves with unpalatable foods simply because they are led to believe that it is good for them. He adds:

"The only guide and the truest guide is the appetite itself. So long as a man eats what he wants to satisfy his hunger, has a due regard to the interval which is to elapse before he takes exercise, and takes his meals regularly, he need have no fear of 'spoiling his wind' or of spoiling his digestion."

Listen to this further expression of common sense: "Each man is a law unto himself, and if you find you get fit on suet pudding, don't give it up because someone else would immediately expire if he ate a mouthful."

Here is a hit-bit:—"Generally speaking alcohol is quite unnecessary to the athlete, but while spirits should be avoided, if a half-pint of beer at lunch or dinner makes all the difference between a cheerful individual and a depressed nuisance —why, take it!"

Among the Americans who opposed Abrahams in the final, when the Briton won, was Paddock, among the greatest sprinters America ever turned out. Some time after the contest an interview was credited to Paddock in which he was said to have acknowledged that the Americans in the final had arranged to "break" in succession at the command "get set." This was planned to disconcert the Briton, and in the hope, possibly, that an American would get a break on the gun.

*All men are not homeless but many are home less than others.*

## Monkey Business

**SHREWDNESS** of the Wirth's Circus monkey in his dash for freedom in Sydney—holding off pursuers by locking himself in an outhouse from the inside—recalled an episode aboard a sailing clipper, as recorded in "Nautical Magazine":

The Saucy Sarah—a fast sailing clipper of 750 tons was famous some 60 years ago for her prowess in the China tea races round the Cape. While loading at Moulmein with teak and rice for London her astonished skipper received this cable from the owner at Swansea: "Bring back 203 Monkeys." He obeyed. Unfortunately, in the Bay of Bengal a vicious sea smashed one of the big monkey cages.

Forth leaped Mischief and began opening other cages. Soon the entire ship was festooned with monkeys, swinging on the lamps up the rigging—in fact, it was risky to reef the sails, since they ran along the yards and pulled the men's hair. Others, copying Bill Lee, the cook, snatched the chickens from their coops, rung their necks and stuffed them down the galley funnel. Some say one of them donned uniform and made himself captain!

Nevertheless, Sarah reached Gravesend in 75 days; but the Customs officers refused to let her enter the West India Docks until her cargo was safely locked up. When a mystified owner learned about these pranks from his harassed skipper's wire he thought the man had gone mad, and hurried up to town. One glance at the cable enlightened him. He had told his clerk to cable the captain for "2 or 3 monkeys"—and the letter "r" had gone astray!

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## New Football Scheme

**I**F the head body does not care to do it certain Rugby League district clubs will endeavour to foster and control a series of annual contests between New Zealand premier sides and those of N.S.W. There is a scheme afoot to fly a team from N.Z. to Sydney, to play a mid-week match with the local leaders, half way through the season. An attendance of 20,000 (very modest estimate) would return over a £2,000 "gate" and only half that

amount would be required for expenses.

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**PASSING** last month in England of Sir Stanley Jackson, in other seasons great cricketer, as well as great cricket administrator, recalled that it was he who was mainly responsible for the M.C.C. cable to the Australian Board of Control calling off the bodyline blitz: "We will play you cricket."

It is history how Jackson threw away his wicket, playing for his county, Yorkshire, against an Aus-

tralian XI in the days of Noble, Syd. Gregory, Trumper, Hill. A ball he had skied was held by an Australian, fielding on the boundary, but the umpire ruled "not out" on the score that the fieldsman had stepped across the boundary line.

Jackson deliberately lifted the next ball to the same fieldsman standing this time well inside the playing area, and was again caught. At the time, Jackson was playing a captain's innings and his county needed the runs.

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# BILLIARDS and SNOOKER TOURNAMENTS

## Close Finishes Keep Interest

Members are showing great enthusiasm in the current Billiards and Snooker tournaments. As will be noted, after a glance at the complete results to May 7th, alongside, many of the finishes have been close and the result in doubt to the last visit to the table.

An outstanding game was that between Messrs. H. Robertson and A. V. Miller in the billiard section.

Members would have preferred that these two backmarkers could have drawn against each other later in the tournament but it was not to be.

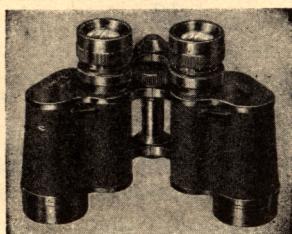
As always happens, there were the usual crop of forfeits in the first round. This seems to be unavoidable and is an annual occurrence.

From now on each section will take on added importance as contestants overcome the "hurdles" between them and final victory.

Most pleasing feature is that attendances at games are remaining at peak level and even showing definite signs of bigger things to follow.

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G. Fienberg	"	70	"	A. Page	"	110	"	81
A. J. Chown	Owes	60	"	A. M. Cattanach	"	100	Forfeit	
G.J.W	Rec.	45	"	C. Cohen	"	80	Forfeit	
J. W. Anderson	"	125	"	J. S. Blau	"	110	by	59
D. Lotherington	"	120	"	C. E. Young	"	Scratch	"	25
P. J. Schwarz	"	80	"	J. L. Hughes	Rec.	125	"	41
G. R. Bryden	"	80	"	C. C. Hoole	"	110	"	20
K. Ranger	"	80	"	J. Broadbent	"	70	"	10
S. O. Beilby	"	140	"	H. F. Kent	"	60	"	39
R. G. Mead	"	110	"	R. H. Alderson	"	30	"	12
L. H. Howarth	"	110	"	C. H. Eastment	"	100	"	57
J. A. Shaw	"	80	"	F. A. Timworth	"	150	Forfeit	
H. J. Robertson	Owes	130	"	A. V. Miller	Owes	40	"	57
L. R. Flack	Rec.	80	"	W. T. Kerr	Rec.	160	Forfeit	
B. M. Lane	"	100	"	A. L. Levy	"	100	Forfeit	
N. R. Plomley	"	80	"	J. A. Miller	"	95	"	95
A. J. McGill	"	80	"	J. A. Roles	"	80	"	18

#### SNOOKER.

W. H. Relton	Rec.	50	beat	N. P. Murphy	Rec.	40	by	48
E. A. Davis	"	20	"	H. F. Kent	"	35	"	9
A. Page	"	55	"	L. D. Tasker	"	50	"	10
A. M. Cattanach	"	30	"	R. G. Mead	"	45	"	5
J. R. Coen	"	45	"	S. A. Brown	"	60	"	41
J. A. Roles	"	45	"	C. O. Chambers	"	45	"	29
T. E. Sweet	"	60	"	A. H. Chartres	"	60	"	18
C. L. Parker	"	45	"	E. W. Bell	"	69	"	9
J. S. Blau	"	40	"	Struan Smith	"	20	Forfeit	
A. S. Block	"	45	"	A. L. Levy	"	45	Forfeit	
T. W. Large	"	35	"	E. Martin	"	35	Forfeit	
T. E. Grigsby	"	45	"	F. Ezzy	"	50	Forfeit	
G. Chiene	"	55	"	A. A. Ray	"	50	by	20
B. M. Lane	"	25	"	J. I. Armstrong	"	45	by	15
H. G. Parr	"	55	"	V. Richards	"	50	"	12
J. W. Melville	"	55	"	E. S. Pointing	"	45	Forfeit	
W. K. Garnsey	"	55	"	L. Bloom	"	55	"	39

### HANDBALL NOTES

The Second Round of the Handicap Tournament was nearly completed during April with B. Partridge (—10) beating P. J. Hernon (—11), 31-26 and G. Pratten (5) beating G. Carr (15), 31-27. The remaining game is Ken Williams (3) v. K. Eiseman (5),

Only one of the four Third Round games has been played, I. Green (—3) defeating E. T. Penfold (3), 31-25. Other games still to be played are E. E. Davis (—15) v. B.

Partridge (—10), P. Lindsay (5) v. winner of K. Williams-K. Eiseman and C. H. Woodfield (8) v. G. Pratten (5).

On the Fourth Round I. Green (—3) will meet the winner of the E. E. Davis-B. Partridge game.

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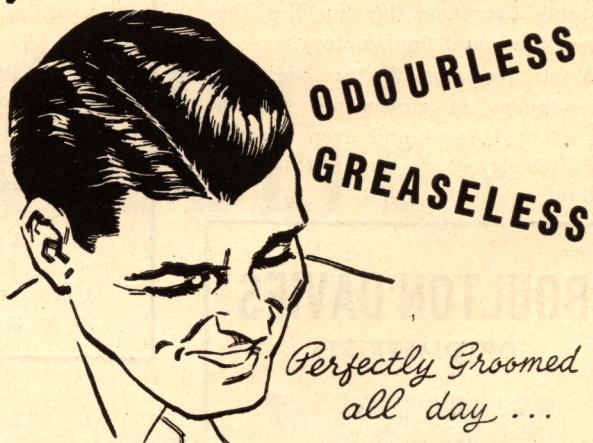
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# Swimming Pool Splashes

## Hoole Heads Points Score—

Now that it is getting on towards the end of the season keen interest is being evinced in the season's Point Score and since the last issue of the Magazine the leaders have changed considerably.

Pat Eiseman, leader for most of the season, missed three races whilst on vacation and his rivals made the most of his absence with the result that Clive Hoole has taken the lead with 94½ points followed by George Goldie with 93½ and Pat Eiseman 92.

Stuart Murray, too, has moved up and, though still fourth, is only 8 points behind the leader.

C. J. Lewis had a great win in the March-April Point Score with Don Wilson and George Goldie closely following. It is worth recording that Lewis and Wilson again drew together in a Brace Relay Handicap in April, their third successive teaming.

Late in April Dave Hunter came to the fore with two wins in succession and appears to have a great chance in the current Point Score.

Attendances in the Pool are keeping up well and each race requires four heats. Enthusiasm is unabated and is certainly the greatest in the history of the Swimming Club.

### Results:—

40 Yards Handicap, 8th April.—C. J. Lewis (23), 1; K. Eiseman (21), 2; S. Murray (24), 3. Time, 23 1/5 secs.

80 Yards Brace Relay Handicap, 15th April.—P. Lindsay and E. T. Penfold (60), 1; T. H. English and N. Barrell (52), 2; C. Hoole and S. Murray (48), 3. Time, 60 secs.

40 Yards Handicap, 22nd April.—D. B. Hunter (26), 1; G. Goldie (33), 2. Time, 25 2/5 secs.

80 Yards Brace Relay Handicap, 29th April.—D. B. Hunter and S. Murray (50), 1; G. Goldie and S. B. Solomon (62), 2; T. H. English and K. Hunter (49) and C. Hoole and S. Lorking (47), tie, 3. Time, 47½ secs.

March-April Point Score.—C. J. Lewis 24 points, 1; D. Wilson 21, 2;

G. Goldie 20, 3; C. Hoole 19, 4; K. Eiseman 18, 5; S. Murray 17, 6; P. Lindsay 16, 7; E. T. Penfold 14, 8; S. B. Solomon 12½, 9; P. Hill 12, 10.

April-May Point Score.—Leaders, with two races to complete the series, are:—D. B. Hunter, 16 points; G. Goldie, 13; S. Murray, 12; S. Lorking and K. Hunter, 9½; S. B. Solomon, 9; T. H. English, 8½; E. T. Penfold, 8; C. Hoole, 7½; D. Wilson, 6.

1946-47 Point Score.—Up to the end of April leading points scorers for the season are:—C. Hoole, 94½; G. Goldie, 93½; K. Eiseman, 92; S. Murray, 86½; T. H. English, 77, P. Lindsay, 75½; N. P. Murphy, 68; S. B. Solomon, 67; K. Hunter, 65½; D. Wilson, 60; S. Lorking, 60; G. Bolton, 53½; A. McCamley, 48½; E. T. Penfold, 45; D. B. Hunter, 44½; G. Carr, 44; V. Richards, 39; H. E. Davis, 38½; J. N. Creer, 36½; C. J. Lewis, 34; N. Barrell, 32½; T. A. Richards, 28.

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# RACING FIXTURES—1947

### MAY

Tattersall's Club .....	Sat., 17th
A.J.C. (Warwick Farm) ..	Sat., 24th
Sydney Turf Club .....	Sat., 31st

### JUNE

A.J.C. (Warwick Farm) ..	Sat., 7th
Australian Jockey Club....	Sat., 14th
Australian Jockey Club....	Mon., 16th
Sydney Turf Club .....	Sat., 21st
A.J.C. (Warwick Farm) ..	Sat., 28th

### JULY

Australian Jockey Club....	Sat., 5th
Sydney Turf Club .....	Sat., 12th
Sydney Turf Club .....	Sat., 19th
Sydney Turf Club .....	Sat., 26th

### AUGUST

Sydney Turf Club .....	Sat., 2nd
A.J.C. (Warwick Farm) ..	Mon., 4th
Sydney Turf Club .....	Sat., 9th
Sydney Turf Club .....	Sat., 16th
Sydney Turf Club .....	Sat., 23rd
A.J.C. (Warwick Farm) ..	Sat., 30th

### SEPTEMBER

Sydney Turf Club .....	Sat., 6th
Tattersall's Club .....	Sat., 13th
Sydney Turf Club .....	Sat., 20th
Hawkesbury Racing Club	Sat., 27th

### OCTOBER

Australian Jockey Club....	Sat., 4th
Australian Jockey Club....	Mon., 6th
Australian Jockey Club....	Sat., 11th
City Tattersall's.....	Sat., 18th
Sydney Turf Club .....	Sat., 25th

### NOVEMBER

Sydney Turf Club .....	Sat., 1st
Sydney Turf Club .....	Sat., 8th
A.J.C. (Warwick Farm) ..	Sat., 15th
A.J.C. (Warwick Farm) ..	Sat., 22nd
Sydney Turf Club .....	Sat., 29th

### DECEMBER

A.J.C. (Warwick Farm) ..	Sat., 6th
Sydney Turf Club .....	Sat., 13th
Australian Jockey Club....	Sat., 20th
Australian Jockey Club....	Fri., 26th
Tattersall's Club .....	Sat., 27th

## In the Doldrums

THOSE WHO HAD hoped that, after the unfortunate, often unseemly, wrangling which had marked the inter-Empire football and cricket games, the Davis Cup matches—in which certain of the Americans were chiefly culpable—the tour of the South African Soccer footballers would be conducted in an atmosphere of goodwill, were doomed to disappointment.

Doomed is the word.

Sport for sport's sake seems to have become a lost art. Which side, or which country, is to blame is immaterial. The regrettable fact is that the village green, with all its happy associations, has become a battlefront.

The position is dismal surely when we, who were old-fashioned enough still to have regarded the sorry exhibitions associated with the Rugby League programme of last season as being merely a phase, have not taken a trick in four programmes in which overseas players have participated.



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The French started Art Unions, but the Germans fostered and developed them into important aids to art. The Art Union of Munich was established in 1832. Many of the German associations also directed their attention to the formation and encouragement of permanent galleries of art and other kindred objects; that of Cologne greatly assisting the completion of its celebrated Cathedral.

The first Art Union in Great Britain was that conducted in Edinburgh in 1834. The London Art Union insisted on winner expending their prizes in the purchase of pictures selected by themselves from exhibitions.

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Railway Department. The roof is 52ft. in span and is constructed of wrought iron covered with corrugated iron . . . at night the interior of the station is well lit up with numerous lamps suspended from the tie-rods of the roof.

One of the rooms of the departure platform has been converted into a refreshment room and the other rooms include guards', porters' and other officials' quarters. On the arrival platform are large general waiting rooms, audit clerk's office and several other rooms. All the rooms are furnished in a neat, substantial manner.

The departure and arrival platforms are each 400ft. in length and 15ft. in width, the platform at the end of the station being 12ft. in width—the whole paved.

The station is approached by vehicles by a broad road leading from George Street through two gates one of which is used by vehicles arriving and the other by those leaving the Station".

The coming of the railway did much to open up the country beyond Sydney; indeed many of our largest country centres owe their establishment to our early railway system.

By the end of the last century it became apparent that the Sydney Station which, incidentally, stood on the site of the present Sydney yards and south of the Sydney Station of today, was neither large nor adequate enough for the growing rail traffic to and from the city, and so the Hon. E. W. O'Sullivan, then Secretary for Public Works, supported a proposal that a block of ground should be resumed on which could be erected a station of a size and design in keeping with the importance of Sydney. The area was the site then occupied by the old Devonshire Street Burial Ground and extending along the Pitt Street frontage to include various buildings among which were the old Benevolent Asylum, the Police Barracks and the Christ Church Parsonage.

The plan came to fruition and so the old cemetery was removed to Botany and a new Sydney Station built. This was opened officially in 1906 and is, of course, our "Sydney Station" of today.

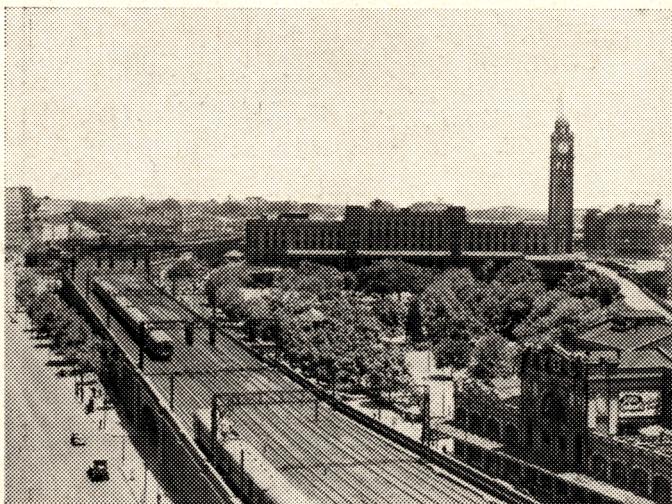
More platforms were built in 1914 and the upper storeys and clock tower added six years later.

In 1926 two platforms for electric trains were built at Central (Sydney Station) and in 1929 the eight existing platforms for electric trains were completed.

Through Central the electric train service of the city railway connects Sydney from north to south, and provides for hundreds of thousands of travellers a system as modern as any in the world.

In the future we can visualize, with further electrification of lines, the greater expansion of our railways and the possible extension of Sydney Railway Station.

From the past comes an echo of this prophecy—a prophecy which has been truly fulfilled since Sir Henry Parkes, in 1855, said: "Who shall say that the dreams in which men indulged were visionary when, for the first time, they followed through the Australian bush the footsteps of the



*Sydney Station, 1947.*

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could do more harm to their general adoption than the promulgation of such nonsense."

In earlier times most people considered railways either a financial bubble which would ultimately burst, or a new-fangled invention of the devil. Gradually, however, this prejudice disappeared, but even before public opinion became reconciled to the idea, men of vision and imagination had sensed the expansion which could be made possible by means of the Iron Horse.

Transport, or the lack of it, was, of course, a major difficulty of the early days in New South Wales. Wool wagons took from 2 to 3 months in many cases to reach Sydney from the country; the delay alone was a serious problem apart from the perils of the road in those times of bushrangers and hostile blacks.

And so that their produce might reach the markets by speedier means, a meeting was convened in Sydney in 1846, at which James MacArthur of Camden acted as chairman, when this problem was discussed. The meeting appointed a provisional Committee who recommended that a public subscription should be raised for the survey of a railway line from Sydney to Goulburn.

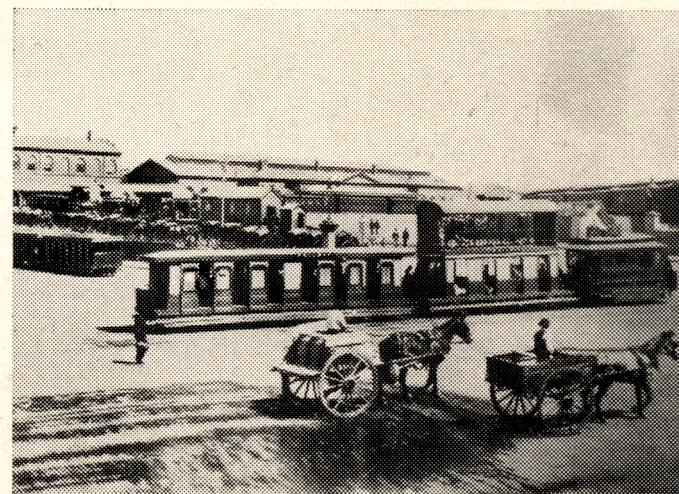
In 1849 the prospectus of a railway company was issued and on what was then known as the Cleveland Paddocks, at a spot near the site of the present Railway Institute, the first sod of the line from Sydney to Parramatta was turned on 3rd July, 1850, by Mrs. Keith Stewart, daughter of the then Governor, Sir Charles Fitzroy.

The work of building the railway proceeded successfully until the labour market became depleted by the discovery of gold at Bathurst. The Government came to the rescue of the railway company and the work continued; financial embarrassments later became so pressing, however, that the Government agreed to take over the whole project and completed the railway which was opened on 26th September, 1855.

Such was the importance of this occasion that a public holiday was proclaimed and the worthy citizens of Sydney experienced the novelty of their first train trip in New South Wales. The train consisted of 2 first class, 4 second-class and 5 third-class carriages for which the fares from Sydney to Parramatta were 4/-d., 3/-d. and 2/-d. respectively. The third-class carriages were open all around the sides and the roof was only 5ft. 9in. from the floor. Incidentally, the first train left Sydney at 11.20 a.m. on September 26th, 1855, and arrived at Parramatta 45 minutes later. To the astonishment of a number of people there were no accidents!

The first station, named "Sydney", and sometimes referred to as Redfern, was for 51 years a large primitive structure of corrugated iron. As a matter of fact, the intermediate stations at Homebush, Parramatta, Newtown and Burwood were much more impressive. In 1874, however, a larger and much improved station was erected.

The "Illustrated Sydney News" of 26th June, 1875, said of this station: "The new passenger station was built under the direction of the



*Sydney Station in early 1890's.*

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iron horse? Where shall terminate the journey upon which he yesterday set out? Through many a deep mountain glen, along the banks of many an inland stream, across many a fruitful plain he shall pursue his track, bearing into the inner and yet unexplored wilds of our country the fruits of civilization, founding cities and peaceful homesteads and so opening up a mighty continent to the habitation of man!"

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